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**PATENT APPLICATION**  
**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Docket No: 29020/97035B



**CONTINUING APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)**

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Sir:

This is a request under 37 CFR 1.53 for filing a

- ☒ continuation application.  
☐ divisional application.

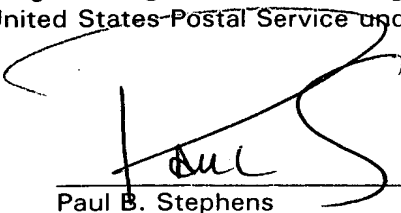
**1. Particulars of Prior Application**

Application Serial No: 09/394,027  
Filed on: September 10, 1999  
Title: Resilient Door Panel  
Art Unit: 3634  
Examiner: Redman, J.  
Prior Docket No.: 29020/97035A

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**CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.10**

I hereby certify that this Continuing Application Transmittal Under 37 CFR 1.53(b) and the documents referred to as enclosed therewith are being deposited with the United States Postal Service on **December 3, 2001**, in an envelope addressed to the United States Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 2327, Arlington, Virginia 22202 utilizing the "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service of the United States Postal Service under Mailing Label No. EL566462608US.

  
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- ☐ This application is being filed by less than all the inventors named in the prior application. An accompanying statement requests deletion of the name(s) of the person(s) who are not inventors of the invention being claimed in this application.

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**3. Amendments**

- ☒ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:  
--This is a continuation of U.S. application Serial No. 09/394,027, filed September 10, 1999.--
- ☐ Cancel claims \_\_\_\_\_ in the prior application before calculating the filing fee.
- ☐ A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
- ☒ The filing fee is based upon entry of the foregoing amendment(s) (if any).

**4. Copy of Prior Application**

The enclosed is a copy of the prior complete application, including the specification (with claims), drawings, the oath or declaration, and any amendments referred to in the oath or declaration filed to complete the prior application.

**5. Incorporation By Reference**

The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under paragraph 4, above, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

**6. Priority**

- ☐ Priority of application No. \_\_\_\_\_, filed on \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_ is claimed under 35 USC 119.
- ☐ The certified copy(ies) was(were) filed in prior U.S. application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_.
- ☐ The certified copy(ies) has(have) not been filed.

**7. Assignment**

- ☐ The prior application is assigned of record to \_\_\_\_\_, and has been recorded at Reel No. \_\_\_\_\_, Frame No. \_\_\_\_\_.

**8. Small Entity Status**

- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.
- ☐ A small entity statement is(are) attached.

9. Application to Be Published

- ☒ Yes.
- ☐ No. A Request and Certification Under 35 U.S.C. §122(b)(2)(B)(i) is attached.

10. Fee Calculation

CLAIMS AS FILED - INCLUDING PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT (IF ANY)						
			SMALL ENTITY		OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY	
	NO. FILED	NO. EXTRA	RATE	FEE	RATE	FEE
BASIC FEE				\$370.00		\$740.00
TOTAL	28 -20	=8	X 9 =	\$	X 18 = 144	\$144.00
INDEP.	3 - 3	=0	X 42 =	\$	X 84 =	\$0.00
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Filing Fee:				\$	OR	\$884.00

11. Method of Payment of Fees

- ☐ Attached is a check in the amount of: \$
- ☒ Charge Deposit Account No. 13-2855 in the amount of: \$884.00  
A copy of this Transmittal is enclosed.

12. Deposit Account and Refund Authorization

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the amount enclosed or any additional fees which may be required during the pendency of this application under 37 CFR 1.16 or 37 CFR 1.17 to Deposit Account No. 13-2855. A copy of this Transmittal is enclosed.

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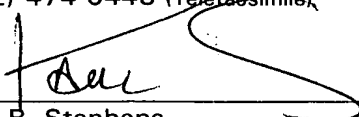
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